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FOLLOWING TELEGRAM FROM VALLETTA DATED MARCH 29, 1978  
SENT SECSTATE WASHDC IS REPEATED TO YOU: QUOTE

UNCLAS VALLETTA 00712

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: NATO, LY, UR

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR ADM SHEAR INTERVIEW TEXT

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SUBJ: REQUEST FOR ADM SHEAR INTERVIEW TEXT.

1. ARTICLE QUOTED IN REF AMEMBASSY VALLETTA 061118Z MAR 78 REFLECTS  
NEITHER ACTUAL WORDS NOR GIST OF STATEMENTS DURING INTERVIEWS WITH  
ITALIAN JOURNALIST GROUPS RECENTLY VISITING AFSOUTH UNDER STATE/  
USIS SPONSORSHIP. IN DISCUSSING POTENTIAL PROBLEMS IN THE NATO  
SOUTHERN REGION, ADMIRAL SHEAR POINTS OUT MALTA'S ATTRACTION AS  
POTENTIAL BASE FOR SOVIET MEDITERRANEAN FLEET, BUT CAREFULLY AVOIDS  
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POLITICAL SPECULATION REGARDING SUCH A MOVE.

2. TEXT OF ADMIRAL'S BRIEFING TO THE PRESS IS NOT AVAILABLE.

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